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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.26, Applicants are entitled to a refund of \$500.00 based on the following:

A "Notice of Appeal Fee" in the amount of \$500.00 was taken out of the deposit account on April 27, 2006, see Attachment A. A "Notice of Appeal Fee" was also previous paid on September 29, 2005 (was taken out of the deposit account on December 9, 2005, see Attachment B), at the time of filing the original Notice of Appeal. This Appeal was terminated by USPTO by reopening of the prosecution prior to a decision on the merits by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. In this case the prior paid "Notice of Appeal Fee" is applied to a later appeal.

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Applicants request a refund of one of these "Notice of Appeal Fees" (April 27, 2006 or December 9, 2005).

Attached hereto as Attachments C and D are a copy of the Notice of Appeal filed on September 29, 2005 and a copy of the Notice of Appeal filed on April 24, 2006.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby request a refund of \$500.00 be credited to our Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

June 1, 2006

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Dear Sir:

An appeal is made to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner.

Please apply the previously paid notice of appeal fee dated September 29, 2005 to the present appeal. If, however, the appeal fees set forth in 37 CFR § 41.20 have been increased, please charge the difference, any additional fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

April 24, 2006

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